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Thursday, 2 January, 1947

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INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL
FOR THE FAR EAST
Court House of the Tribunal
War Ministry Building
Tokyo, Japan

The Tribunal met, pursuant to adjournment,

Appearances:

at 0930.

For the Tribunal, same as before with the exception of: HONORABLE JUSTICE D. JARANIILA, Member from the Republic of the Philippines, HONORABLE JUSTICE JU-AO MEI, Member from the Republic of China and LORD PATRICK, Member from the United Kingdom of Great Britain, not sitting.

For the Prosecution Section, same as before.

For the Tefense Section, same as before.

The Accused:

All present except OKAWA, Shumei, who is represented by his counsel.

(English to Japanese and Japanese to English interpretation was made by the Language Section, IMTFE.) Greenberg & spratt

MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Military Tribunal for the Far East is now in session.

THE PRESIDENT: Captain Brooks.

JOHN CHARLES VAN NOOTEN, called
as a witness on behalf of the prosecution, resumed the stand and testified as follows:

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. BROOKS (Continued):

Q Mr. "itness, we were discussing the inspections of the camp by senior officers when we adjourned last session. You had testified on direct examination that the camp had been reasonably cleaned up for such inspections. Was there any extra food issued during the time of inspection?

A On no occasion whilst there was an inspection being made of the camp was there any additional food issued.

Q Were there any other efforts that you have not mentioned to show the camp in a better light?

A Other than an order that all prisoners should be regimentally dressed or dressed as near to regimental as possible, there were no such things made.

Q You mean by that they would be wearing shirts and fully clothed as possible during this time

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of inspection?

A Regimental dress consisted of -- of course, provided the men had it in the camp -- shirts, shorts, bects, long stockings, putties, and head dress.

- Q Nov, if there were some that did not have such dress, what was done with them luring the time of inspection?
- A They dressed as near to regimental as was possible.
- and stood the inspection clong with the rest, 10 Q is that correct?
 - A That is correct, and usually in the back ranks.
- Q Now, you testified as to a Red Cross ship that 13 14 was armed and curried patients and also members of the 15 fighting forces. "hat was the number of patients 16 aboard in relation to the members of fighting forces?
- 17 A The ship that I mentioned as having been 18 ermed was the Rio de Janeiro Maru, for it was actually 19 an armed cruiser or auxiliary cruiser. That ship corried quite a large number of patients; I won't be 21 prepared to state how many, I didn't *ndeavor to count 22 them.
- The members of the fighting forces that were aboard the ship .- they were Japanese, and of what 25 branch?

A As I recall it, they were Marines.

Q Did you at any time see any ships marked as prisoners of war ships?

A No.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Blewett.

CROSS-EXAMINATION (Continued)

BY IR. BLEVETT:

Q How large is this island; is it Ambon or Amboina?

A The island is known by both names, Amboina and Ambon. The island would be about thirty-two miles long and, at the widest part, about sixteen miles wide; and the center is taken up with a big bay and an inland sea.

Q What were the circumstances and terms of surrender?

A As I understand them, to lay down our arms and hand over our force to the Japanese invasion force.

Q To whom did your force surrender, the Army or the Navy?

A Our particular force, that is, the force on the Ambon town side of the island, capitulated to the Army.

Q Was there any question raised subsequent to

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the surrender as to the expediency of the surrender?

- A Not to my knowledge.
- Q Do you know what force the landing party consisted of as contrasted with the number of troops on the island, Allied troops?
- A The Allied personnel on the island numbered 1194 Australians and approximately 2000 Dutch troops, mostly native troops. I was informed that the Japanese landing force was approximately one division of the Army, and on the other side of the island, that is, Laha side, it was carried out by special Marine landing force.
- Q Did you, certainly after the surrender or any time subsequent thereto, have any knowledge as to the situation on the Laha side?
- A Nothing definite until about six months
 later when two Australians who had taken to the hills
 immediately following being injured in action -- they
 became sick and handed themselves to the Japanese after
 living in the hills sixteen months. These two
 Australians could give us information as to the course
 of action but nothing as to the ultimate fate of the
 force because they had left and gone to the hills
 prior to the final capitulation.
 - Q Did you know at any time of any movement on

the part of the Allied troops that might have been apprehended by the Japanese as they moved for freedom or revolt?

A Up to the time of my recovery, the only information I had of the Laha force was as I have just related.

Q Did your force come in contact at any time with HATAKEY.NA or any of the Japanese national people on the island at that time?

A Towards the end of February, 1942 -- I think the date was the 27th of February -- our force was handed over in bulk to the Major, and we were gathered by Marines and remained Navy prisoners for the full period of the war. Some of those Navy personnel, and particularly the administrative staff, were still in office when we were handed over to the Japanese -- to the Navy.

Q Was Commander HAYASHI in any position of control with reference to the Tan Toey Camp?

Japanese in the early stages of our camp, and thus did not know the names of any of the Japanese excepting those who were -- had local administrative jobs in our camp headquarters. I would not have known his name if he had been there.

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Q I think you mentioned the name of the captain of a garrison, but I assume that was much later than the early part of '42; was it?

A I mentioned the name of Naval Captain Ando, and I think he took over a few months later.

Q The person directly in charge of this camp, I think you referred to him as "Camp Manager." "hat is the meaning of that, Lieutenant?

A The man I referred to as "Camp Manager" was IKEUCHI, who was actually an interpreter, but later assumed far greater powers, and he, in his own terminology, was "Camp Manager" or "Naval Commissioner."

Q Was he a civilian?

A He was a civilian sttached to the Navy, wearing uniform, carrying a sword, and he informed me that he had the honorary rank of a major.

Q Were there any Allied planes coming over the island in February, around the 18th, 1942?

A I saw about that time two Allied planes that were PBY-4's.

Q Were there not quite a number of desertions in the early days of the occupation, that is, subsequent to February on in for a few months?

A There were no desertions. You don't desert from a prison camp. There were three official escape

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parties.

Q I think your correction is well taken, Lieutenant, and I will accept that.

A Thank you.

Q Did you not at that time or later know of any fear on the part of the Japanese that these escaped prisoners of war might be able to convey to the Allies the Japanese forces on the island?

A The Japanese tried to convey the impression to us that no parties had been successful in getting completely away from the island. They informed us that all attempted escapees had been caught.

Q Is it true or not that shortly after the surrender there were more Allied personnel on the island than Japanese?

A I would say it was definitely not correct. There were thousands of Japanese on the island.

Q Well, how about the comparison as regards the first landing party of Japanese?

A I should think there were a few less than the original landing party.

o Was there any guerrilla fighting after the D u d surrender? 2 a A Not to my knowledge. & 4 E 5 d you said, Lieutenant. Is that right? 6 A I think the date I mentioned was the 27th 8 9 10 27th, when we were handed over to the navy. 12 ed you by the army? 13 14 by army or navy, it was quite good. 15 After the surrender and while living in 16 17 18 19 respirators were withdrawn. 20 21 dump was built or erected in October 1942? 22 23

o Now, between the 3rd and 12th of February, 1942, you were in the hands of the army, I believe

of February. "e were in the hands of the army from the 4th of February until, I think the date was the

o "hat was the neture of the treatment accord-

A The treatment in the early stages, whether

your own barracks, what equipment were you allowed?

A We were allowed personal equipment and clothing, but steel helmets were withdrawn and

O Am I right, Lieutenant, that this bomb

A In November 1942.

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O Between that date and February 15, 1943, were there any American Allied planes, reconnaisance planes, over the island?

A Yes, quite regularly.

o what was the physical appearance of the POW camp?

A It would appear exactly the same as an army barracks.

0 "as there any barbed wire entanglements surrounding the camp?

A Yes, there was a barbed wire entanglement around the perimeter of the camp.

of was it possible, in your opinion, in your experience, that the conditions could have been recognized or might be recognized as a POW internment camp?

A It was possible that it could be recognized as having a barbed wire barrier around it, but on the 26th of October 1942 a portion of the camp had been moved -- a number of personnel, I mean. It is also possible that Allied intelligence had noted the movement of troops and thought that we had all been moved.

The raids had been pretty heavy up before the 15th of February of that year, had they not, Lieutenant?

A There had been fairly consistent raids of groups of planes up to squadron strength, all B-24s.

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24 25 o Where were the Jap planes maintained as respects your camp?

A Land planes were based at Laha, which is about nine or ten miles across the bay from the town of Ambon. Some land-based fighter planes were at Liang airstrip, on the northern coast of the island of Amboina, about fifteen miles from our camp, and seaplanes were based at the Halong seaplane base, about three to four miles northeast of our prison camp.

Was there any resistance by the Japanese to this tumbing of the 15th of February?

A If I remember correctly, about six or seven Japanese fighters went up, but were not successful in their operations against the Allied craft.

Was this fight in the vicinity of the camp?

A' No, it was after the planes had dropped their bombs.

O Do you personally know of any message sent by your camp to account for the lone Jap plane you have described?

A Account for a lone Jap plane? I don't recall having described any such incident.

THE PRESIDENT: Is that the plane he said was taking photographs?

MR. BLEWETT: Yes, your Honor.

THE PRESIDENT: You were going to crossexamine as to why he should know that?

MR. BLEWETT: Yes, sir.

THE WITNESS: This lone Japanese plane that took photographs over our camp was based on Halong, about, as I said, three to four miles from our camp. Since we had complained and requested for markings for our hospital and for our camp, messages could be sent quite easily by telephone to Halong, but I do not know of any such message.

e Wi	nat type of plane was it, sir?
	t was a four-engine flying boat, the type
	ed to term a Kawanishi.
(W	as it a fighter plane or a reconnaissance?
7.	t was a four-engine flying boat; it could
	reconnaissance or bomber.
Ç H	re you experience as a flier, Lieutenant?
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6 1	am I right in your testimony that you are in
the artil	lery?
A 1	No. I am an infantry officer.
Ç 1	Now, was it uncommon to see a lone plane,
Japanese	plane, above your camp?
A	Flying over backwards and forwards over our
	, it was most uncommon, because the planes
used to g	o out a constant route and come in a constant
route.	2
	Could you tell from your position whether or
not this	plane actually was taking photographs?
A	This plane flew over our camp at a constant
height or	a constant course, and when it had completed
that run	it returned and came in from the same direction
slightly	over, and repeated this at least four times.

What was the usual method of ascertaining

damage by the Japanese air force at the conclusion of

the raid?

THE PRESIDENT: Had there been any raid up till then?

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir, there had been raids up to then, but the island is so small that you can see from the land exactly what happens in an air raid without having to take aerial photographs.

THE PRESIDENT: Why take photographs for any purpose?

THE WITNESS: I should say only if they required them for propaganda purposes, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: How long before the lone plane came was the last raid?

THE WITNESS: Probably about four hours.
The camp was still smoking and burning.

Q Do you know personally whether or not any photographs were ever used for propaganda purposes with regard to this incident?

A No, I do not.

Lieutenant, were there any materials available for retuilding which were refused to you?

A There was quite a lot of timber, sawn timber, on the island, any amount of nails because we were using them daily on construction work for the Japanese, and there was also plenty of cement.

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Q Did you ask for this material and was it actually refused?

A The reply was, when we asked for the material, that building materials were very short and we would have to conserve and make use of what we had.

Q I think you testified on Tuesday that eventually most of the island was laid bare by raids, by Allied raids. Is that right?

A Most of the island that was inhabited, yes.

Q Did the Japanese have clothes and boots available and suitable which they refused to supply to your men?

A About a week after the war had ended, we were inundated with Japanese clothing, footwear, head-dress, of every description. This clothing had been on the island for at least two years.

Q Was it the Japanese or Allied stores?

A It was all Japanese.

In what capacity were you engaged after the Japanese surrender?

A Our own internment administration and essential camp duties.

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Q	Was 1	in	CO	nne	ction	wi	th	your	official
luties	that you	ı sp	oke	to	Color	nel	KA	TSUDA	7.3

A Yes. My conversation with Colonel KATSUDA and Colonel SHIROZU were official.

Q I think you testified on Tuesday that you did not personally make this trip on the long carry, am I right?

- A That is right.
- O Did you know Private John L. S-e-a-r-a-n-t?
- A Yes, Private Searant.

MR. BLEWETT: If your Honor please, document No. 5301 is on the list to be presented. May I read a portion of it to the witness?

THE PRESIDENT: Yes, certainly.

Q I shall read from the botton of Page 1 of document 5301.

THE PRESIDENT: Are the prosecution tendering that part?

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Yes.

MR. BLEWETT: It is marked, sir. I am not sure, but it is referred to in the synopsis.

Q (Continuing): "I was put on the long carry thirteer times during 1944. The last occasion was just before Christmas. The distance of the long carry was about eight miles over very rough, rugged country

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A Yes. My conversation with Colonel KATSUDA and Colonel SHIROZU were official.

Q I think you testified on Tuesday that you did not personally make this trip on the long carry, am I right?

A That is right.

Q Did you know Private John L. S-e-a-r-a-n-t?

A Yes, Private Searant.

MR. BLEWETT: If your Honor please, document No. 5301 is on the list to be presented. May I read a portion of it to the witness?

THE PRESIDENT: Yes, certainly.

Q I shall read from the botton of Page 1 of document 5301.

THE PRESIDENT: Are the prosecution tendering that part?

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Yes.

MR. BLEWFTT: It is marked, sir. I am not sure, but it is referred to in the synopsis.

Q (Continuing): "I was put on the long carry thirteer times during 1944. The last occasion was just before Christmas. The distance of the long carry was about eight miles over very rough, rugged country

made up of broken coral with gullies and steep hills.

We had to go on all fours sometimes to crawl up the hills. It took us about five hours to complete the journey with a load. I carried bags of cement and 150-pound bombs. The bags of cement weighed 94 pounds. Two men were detailed for each bag. When one could carry it no further, the other took over.

The Japanese guards did not actually bash us, but made us hurry along. Sometimes we had good guards

I ask you, Lieutenant, if that is a fair description of the work on the long carry?

who would give us a fair go; but, on one occasion,

we were guarded by some koreans who kept us moving

A That is one private soldier's personal experiences and would probably be very accurate from his point of view. My reports came from non-commissioned officers who were expressly detailed to bring back accurate information on the task.

MR. BLEWETT: That is all. Thank you. That is all, your Honor.

THE PPFSIDENT: Mr. Levin.

MR. LEVIN: Mr. President.

CROSS-EXAMINATION (Continued)

BY MR. LEVIN:

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Q Lieutenant, did you have any special training or qualifications to enable you to determine with the naked eye what particular planes did during certain flights?

THE PRISIDENT: Mr. Levin, seeing that the only suggestion is that the plane was taking photographs for propaganda purposes, it will not help us. That could never be an offence.

MR. LEVIN: That is satisfactory, Mr. President.

Q You testified that the guard kicked one of the men while on the ground. Was that a sporadic incident or a general practice?

A Especially over the last eighteen months, kickings, punchings, and bashings were daily occurrences.

Q When you speak of daily occurrences, do you mean one or two each day or more than that?

A At least one or two each day, sometimes many more.

Q Do you know whether there was any reason why the pregnant woman that you testified about was punched?

A No. She bowed correctly to the sentry and appeared to carry out all regulations.

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That, of course, was the act of the sentry or guard?

That was the act of an NCO sentry who was on duty at the guardhouse which was the senior post of the sentries around the camp.

THE PRESIDENT: You say that woman was kicked in the stomach?

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir, kicked in the stomach.

THE PRESIDENT: Was the incident reported to the Camp Commandant?

THE WITNESS: I think it was reported to the Camp Manager, sir.

> THE PRESIDENT: Was any action taken? THE WITNESS: Not that I know of, sir.

Had other women been treated in that manner that you know of?

Some native women had been slapped and beaten, but it was the first occasion on which I had seen a pregnant woman brutally assaulted.

Now, you speak of the American airmen that had been taken away under suspicious circumstances. Did you see them taken away yourself?

A Yes, I watched the whole incident.

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Q Did you know Private Verdun Clive Ball?

A Yes.

MR. LEVIN: Mr. President, I desire to refer to one sentence in document No. 5302 which was not offered in evidence. That is the third sertence -- rather the last sentence in the third paragraph of the document.

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Mr. President, the prosecution proposed to tender that document in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: But Mr. Levin may cross-examine on it.

Q This refers to the bashing of Dutch personnel from the camp. The last sentence of the third paragraph reads as follows:

"The guards who did the bashing were not local guards and were taken away later."

Do you know whether or not they were taken away because of the mistreatment of the Dutch personnel?

A On both of the mass beatings, marines, who we used to refer to as expert bashers, were brought out to carry out the beatings.

You speak of the quartermaster supplies,

that is, that the quartermaster had informed you that the Japanese had sufficient supplies for a year and a half for three thousand to ten thousand people. There seems to be such a great variation that I am wondering if there is any explanation of that statement.

A From my observations it appeared that Ambon was used as a resting place for the frontline troops as well as garrison forces.

THE PRESIDENT: We will recess for fifteen minutes.

(Whereupon, at 1045, a recess was taken until 1100, after which the proceedings were resumed as follows:)

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MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Military Tribunal for the Far Fast is now resumed.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Levin.

BY MR. LEVIN (Continuing):

Q Lieutenant, during the last two years of your imprisonment was it difficult for the Japanese to obtain supplies at Ambon?

A To obtain additional supplies from outside of the island or the island group, yes.

Q Were you in a position to judge and determine the health of the Japanese?

A I was in a position to observe the health of the Japanese.

Q And it is on that basis that you offered your testimony?

A I don't recall having offered my testimony.

Q Perhaps I wasn't clear. I believe you testified that the health of the Japanese was uniformly good.

A According to my observations, the health of the Japanese was good.

Q You made some reference in the early part of your testimony to a headquarter's order. Do you know what headquarters the order came from?

A It is most likely that it was Naval Island

Headquarters but it is possible that it was from the Macassar Headquarters which was South Seas Fleet Headquarters.

Q Then you don't know exactly from what -- actually from what headquarters the order came from?

A No. The statement was made to me by IKIUCHI to the effect that "headquarters ordered, so you will do as you are told."

Q What is your age, lieutenant?

A Twenty-eight.

MA. LIVIN: That is all.

THE PRESIDENT: Counsellor SHIMANOUCHI.

CROSS-EXAMINATION (Continued)

BY MR. SHIMANOUCHI:

Q You testified on Tuesday that the food rations of the prisoners became worse after July, 1943, and their rice ration was reduced to less than ten ounces per man per day. Was not the food ration of prisoners seventeen ounces per day until August, 1944?

THE MONITOR: Per day per man.

A No. The food ration for prisoners was seventeen ounces per day per man until about July, 1943.

Q Do you know Major George Westley?

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A Yes. Major Westley was senior Australian officer in our prison camp.

Q If Major Westley says that the prisoners' food ration was seventeen ounces per man per day until August, 1944, what recollection do you have on this point?

A I say that the food ration until July, 1943, was seventeen ounces per day per man and it was later decreased, or it was from that date decreased firstly to ten ounces, then to eight ounces, then to six ounces, and around August or September, 1944, it was reduced to four ounces per day per man.

MR. SHIMANOUCHI: Your Honor, I call the Court's attention to Court exhibit 1820A, the fourth paragraph. In this paragraph Major Westley testified that until August, 1944, the rice ration for prisoners was seventeen ounces per man per day.

Q Do you know, Mr. Witness, whether the ration for Japanese troops was also reduced beginning from the end of 1944?

A Yes. I testified earlier in my evidence that the Japanese ration had been reduced to about fifteen or seventeen ounces per day per man as from approximately the end of 1944.

Q On Tuesday you testified that after the

prisoner of war camp at Tan Toey was bombed the facilities at the Bethany Church for internees were very bad. How many days were you in this church?

A I was never in the church at the Bethany Church. I mentioned that the Dutch women and children had been transferred from Tan Toey prison compound and were quartered at Bethany Church.

Q Then how do you know of conditions in that church at that time?

A I personally went past the church in a motor truck and observed it and I have since had contact with a Dutch woman who made that report to me.

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Then how do you know of conditions in that church at that time?

A I personally went past the church in a motor truck and observed it and I have since had contact with a Dutch woman who made that report to me.

Q You also testified that after the large scale air raid on the city of Ambon in August 1944, when the new camp for prisoners of war was built facilities there were also very bad. What was the extent of the damage suffered by the city of Ambon in this raid?

A The city of Ambon was practically completely destroyed.

Q Did the citizens of Ambon rebuild their houses after this air raid?

A Yes. They rebuilt not the same type of house, but temporary living quarters.

Q How were the facilities of the new camp built by the prisoners as compared with the new homes built by the citizens?

A The camp as rebuilt by the prisoners had to be done with the materials which we were able to salvage. The citizens of Ambon were able to collect from a far greater area than we were because they were free. We were prisoners.

Q You say that the city of Ambon was completely destroyed Do you know the number of houses in the city previous so the air raid?

A The town of Ambon would have originally quartered approximately ten thousand people.

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Q Then can you say that there was a great shortage of building materials after the air raid?

A There was a great shortage of building materials. But it was not necessary to give sufficient
or greater quantities of materials to the natives,
because the majority of them had two homes; one in
the town and one in the hills, and the greater number
of natives evacuated their town and lived in their more
sheltered homes in the hills.

Q You have testified that medicines and medical instruments were very scarce, were insufficient. When the prisoner of war camp was hit in the air raid of February 1943 was the attached hospital also destroyed?

A Yes, the hospital building was completely destroyed, and the destruction was completed by fire.

Q Then, were the medical instruments and medicines, and so forth, in the hospital at the time also completely lost?

A Excepting for the instruments which we were able to salvage, and those that were not completely destroyed, or were of such a nature that the fire did not completely destroy them. We lost a great number.

Q You testified that after the destruction of the prisoner of war camp at Tan Toey Allied aircraft regularly came over the island on bombing missions

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until the island was laid bare. Could you say that the civilian hospitals in the area, as well as drug stores, were also burned in these raids?

- A The civilian hospital, the Japanese hospital, and the Japanese controlled Indonesian hospital were completely undamaged as a result of all raids.
 - Q Were there many patients in these hospitals?
- A From my observations these hospitals had quite a number of patients in each.
- Q Did any Japanese supply ships reach Ambon after the air raid on Tan Toey?
- A After the air raid of 28 August '44 no Japanese supply ship of any size reached Ambon; only small wooden craft up to about two hundred tons.
- Q Do you know whether or not Japanese shipping was destroyed as a result of the activities of American planes and submarines?
- A I have no firsthand knowledge on that fact, but I believe that the Japanese shipping found it very difficult to break the blockade of that area.
- Q You testified that on a night in November 1942 several Australians were taken outside the camp area and beaten. Why had these Australians gone outside the camp area?

THE WITNESS: Is that why or when?

THE INTERPRETER: Why.

They had gone outside the camp area in efforts to obtain additional rations, fresh fruit and comforts.

- Did they go outside this area with the permission of the Japanese?
 - A No, it was done surreptitiously.
 - Did they break out of this camp?

THE PRESIDENT: I have heard enough about that. They went out surreptitiously. That is the last thing you heard.

- Have you ever seen Japanese soldiers kicking and beating Japanese somdiers, their own men?
 - Yes.
 - Have you ever heard of this?
 - I have both heard of it and seen it. A
 - 0 Was it a frequent occurrence?
 - Fairly frequent, yes.
- What was the reasons for these Japanese soldiers hitting their own men?
- Presumably for normal service, for Army of-They were hit as a form of summary punishment.

MR. SHIMANOUCHI: That concludes my crossexamination. Thank you. There will be re more -that concludes the cross-examination on the part of the defense.

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THE PRESIDENT: Colonel Mornane.

LIEUT. COLOMEL MORNANE: With the permission of the Tribunal, I propose to ask the witness a few questions arising out of the cross-examination.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION.

BY LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE:

Q What particular opportunity did you have for observing the ration received by Australian prisoners?

On every occasion that rations were delivered to our prison camp I was personally on the receiving end, and I also observed daily the ration as delivered to the individual prisoners.

THE PRESIDENT: Did Major Westley have that opportunity?

THE WITNESS: Not always, sir. BY LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE:

Did the medical officer tell you of what the injections given for these experimental groups consisted of?

The medical officer told me on frequent occasions that he did not believe the substance of the injections was genuine. He told me on many occasions that we would have to make more strenuous efforts to get these injections stopped, as, in his opinion, they were accellgrating and hastening the death of the men

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who were receiving them.

LIEUT COLONEL MORNANE: We have no further questions to put to this witness, if the Tribunal please.

THE PRESIDENT: Well, he is released on the usual terms.

(Whereupon, the witness was excused.

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LIEUT. COLONEL MARNANE: Just before this witness was called I had put in evidence evidentiary document No. 5418 which received exhibit No. 1820-A. This document deals with the life of the Ambon Prison Camp, and, unless the Tribunal wishes me to read any of the paragraphs, I do not propose to do so.

THE PRESIDENT: No we do not want you to read those affidavits.

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: If the Tribunal pleases.

Prosecution document No. 5417 is the affidavit of former Major Ian Farquhar Macrae of 2/21 Australian Infantry Battalion. I tender the document for identification and excerpts therefrom in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document No. 5417 will receive exhibit No. 1821 for identification only. The excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1821-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1821 for identification; the excerpt therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1821-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Prosecution document

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No. 5302 is the affidavit of Private Verdun Clive
Ball of 8th Division, Australian Army Service Corps.
I tender it for identification and marked excerpts
thereof in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5302 will receive exhibit No. 1822. The excerpt
therefrom exhibit No. 1822-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1822 for identification; the excerpt therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1822-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The affiant describes the beating and torture of deponent and 22 other Australians because they had gone outside the camp limits. As a result deponent lost the use of his legs for three or four months.

Prosecution document No. 5301 is the affidavit of Private John Leslie Searant of 8th Division A.A.S.C. I tender the document for identification and the excerpt in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5301 will receive exhibit No. 1823 for identification

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only, and the excerpts therefrom exhibit No. 1823-A.

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hibit No. 1823 for identification; the excerpt therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1823-A and received

in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Prosecution document No. 5306 is an official report of the Netherlands Forces Intelligence Service. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpt in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document No. 5306 will receive exhibit No. 1824 for identification only. The excerpt therefrom will be exhibit No. 1824-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1824 for identification; the excerpt therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1824-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read the . excerpt which appears on the last page of the document:

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THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document No. 5306 will receive exhibit No. 1824 for identification only. The excerpt therefrom will be exhibit No. 1824-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1824 for identification; the excerpt therefrom being marked presecution's exhibit No. 1824-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read the . excerpt which appears on the last page of the document:

"I, P. Boediman, of Sangirese race, rank of fusillier, No. 32878, while I was at Ambon quartered at the former Dutch artillery barracks at Kempoeng Benting and while I was working in the Heiho (Labour Corps) in July 1943 saw 5 Australian PW, 15 Ambonese male civilians and 4 Ambonese (female) women all with hands tied and they passed in front of the barracks aforesaid escorted by a number of Japs carrying shovels and swords. Those with their hands tied aforesaid were taken behind the tarracks abovementioned. I did not see what happened to these people but before long the Japs who had escorted them came back with the shovels and swords but without the people aforesaid. I think and really believe that all those persons who had their hands tied were killed by beheading by the Japs mentioned because they had given food and other things to the Mustralian PWs."

Prosecution document No. 5297 is an affidavit made by Flying Officer Denis Brian Mason of the Royal Air Force. I tender the original for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1825 for identification; the excerpt therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1825-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The affiant and a party of 2050 prisoners of war landed at Haroekoe Island on 5th May, 1943. Upon arrival the camp was only partly built and did not provide adequate shelter. At this camp prisoners were starved and beaten. Although most of them were sick they were compelled to work ten hours a day, mainly on the construction of an aerodrome. Clothing and boots were not supplied to prisoners. Large numbers suffered from heriberi, malaria and dysentery. Hospital patients were starved and had to supplement their diet with rats, mice, dogs, cats and snails. No medical supplies were provided. Open trench latrines only were permitted for the first twelve months and this resulted in spread of dysentery. Over 15 months 386 died from sickness and starvation.

Prosecution document No. 5298, is an affidavit made by Flying Officer Denis Brian Mason of the Royal Air Force. I tender this document for

identification and marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5298 will receive exhibit No. 1826 for identification only. The excerpt therefrom will be given exhibit No. 1826-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1826 for identification; the excerpt therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1826-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: This is a short affidavit and I propose to read marked excerpts from "When I arrive at Lahat Camp" down to "constructing A.R.P. trenches for the Japanese."

"When I arrived at Hahat Camp from Amboina town on 18 August 1944 I found that there was no accommodation for my party as the camp was already very badly overcrowded. The Japs took us to some huts on the outskirts of the camp that had been occupied by a Javanese Labour Battalion from Java.

"Part of the huts were still occupied by the remainder of the Battalion i.e. their rotting corpses. We had to dispose of these corpses and extend the existing accommodation to make room for the incoming

identification and marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5298 will receive exhibit No. 1826 for identification only. The excerpt therefrom will be given exhibit No. 1826-A.

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We had to dispose of these corpses and extend the existing accommodation to make room for the incoming

1 party of British and Dutch PWs. "This new part of the camp was now joined 3 to the existing one. "Accommodation was shockingly overcrowded, 5 6 each PW of which there were about four thousand, 7 was lucky to have 1.2 sq. ft. per man. My party had to lie on the earth floor. "Water was reasonable, being obtained from 10 a spring. "Food was very bad, consisting of never more 11 12 than 150 grammes of rice a day and nothing else. 13 "Sickness and deaths among the PWs still 14 continued at an alarming rate. "Working parties still continued principally 15 loading ships. 16 "No clothing, boots or bedding etc. was issued 17 to us. 18 "No recreation or Church services were allowed. 19 20 Nor were any letters or Red Cross parcels ever received 21 by us while we were there. 22 "Medical supplies were almost unobtainable. 23 The only medical supplies we had, were those scrounged 24 by the PWs from the Jap stores whilst loading the 25 ships.

"Even the British OC camp and all the PW Officers, including the very sick had to work constructing ARP trenches for the Japanese.

"With regard to personalities there was a particularly brutal and cruel Korean named KAMINOKA who was employed in the PW cookhouse. Previously I had been badly beaten by the man at Liang Camp. He used to take a special delight in maltreating British Officers. I remember two PW Officers in particular, whom he almost killed in this camp. They were F/O Meathrel and F/O J. Reece, now both dead."

Prosecution document No. 5299 is an affidavit by Leading Aircraftsman Henry Kitteringham of Royal Air Force. I tender this document for identification and marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5299 will receive exhibit No. 1827 for identification only. The marked excerpt therefrom exhibit No. 1827-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1827 for identification; the excerpt therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1827-A and received in evidence.)

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that 1000 prisoners of war went to Liang on Ambon
Island in May, 1943. Accommodation was bad consisting
for the most part of leaky tents. Food was totally
inadequate. Prisoners were engaged on the construction
of an aerodrome. Work was very heavy and the guards
inflicted brutal beating on the prisoners. Medical
supplies were insufficient. One man, Champion, was
murdered. In October, 1944, a draft of 600 were sent
by sea back to Java. Prisoners were overcrowded.
Only a third of a pint of drinking water was provided
for each man daily. 28 died on the voyage.

Prosecution document No. 5300 is an extract from the War Diary of 2/5 Aust. Gen. Hosp. of 12 September 1945. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5300 will receive exhibit No. 1828 for identification only; and the excerpts therefrom exhibit

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entry: "MOROTAI. 12 September. Sixty four Austrelian and Dutch Recovered Prisoners of War were received from Amboina. Included in this number were
38 stretcher cases. The patients were in a very weak
and emaciated condition and were all suffering from
malnutrition, a number being severely ill. One patient
died carly in the morning of 13.9.45. Bed state at
midnight 1020 equipped, 572 occupied 448 vacant."

Prosecution document No. 5399 is a report on recovered prisoners of war by Officer in Charge,

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Medical Division, 2/5 Aust. Gen. Wosp. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5399 will receive exhibit No. 1829 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom exhibit

No. 1829-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's document No. 1829 for identification; and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1829-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNAME: I will read the first three paragraphs:

"REPORT ON RECOVERED P.Ws. Ex AMBOINA, dated 14 September 1945.

"The outstanding impressions of these 65 men over the first 48 hours observation are as follows:

pallid, had swolen abdomens and ankles and extensive ulceration in inferior extremities. This group was strongly reminiscent of Belsen and one, shockingly wasted, died without regaining full consciousness.

Four others of this group are giving concern and are

not out of danger.

"A large group of about 45 were a fairly homogeneous collection exhibiting various stages of malnutrition, beri-beri, tropical ulcers and anaemia. Some of this roup had been able to bear their weight and walk with assistance in the prison camp and on the vaval vessels which brought them to Morotai.

"The remainder, some 6 to 8, were in quite good condition apart from obvious loss of weight."

Prosecution document No. 5303 is an affidavit made by 1st. Lieutenant Paul Alfred Stansbury of the U.S. Army Air Force. I put the document in for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5303 will receive exhibit No. 1830 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom exhibit No.

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(whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1830 for identification; and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1830-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The affiant was a bombadier on a B24 which crashed over Kai Islands on

21 September 1943. It was in three feet of water on a coral reef. The crew had sustained serious injuries in the crash and the navigator was pinned down on the flight deck. A Japanese boat came out. The airmen with the exception of the navigator were taken prisoners. The Japanese refused to do anything for the navigator but left him there to die. The rest of the airmen were taken to Ambon. They were placed in mosquito infested cells without blankets, bedding or mosquito nets. No sunlight could penetrate the cells and there was no ventilation. They were starved on weevily tice. Mo medical attention was given them. For 68 days they were interrogated to the accompaniment of beatings almost daily. Later the deponent and the co-pilot were shipped to Japan. They were frequently beaten by the guards. They both became paralyzed with beri-beri but received no treatment for this during the 60 days sea voyage. The deponent remained paralyzed for nine months and the co-pilot for 20 months.

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Prosecution document No. 5223 is a sworn interrogation of Warrant Officer Kirosato YOSHIZAKI, of Japanese Navy. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5233 will receive exhibit No. 1831 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom exhibit
No. 1831-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1831 for identification; and the excerpts therefrom exhibit No. 1831-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: On the Orth August 1944, the deponent took part in the beheading of three American airmen at Sarara Prisoner of War Camp. This was done on orders of superior officers. The district had been bombed by American planes on the previous day.

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THE PRESIDENT: We will recess now until half past one.

(Whereupon, at 1200, a recess was taken.

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AFTERNOON SESSION

The Tribunal met, pursuant to recess, at 1330, the HON. BERNARD VICTOR A. ROLING, Member from the Kingdom of the Netherlands, not sitting.

MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Military Tribunal for the Far East is now resumed.

THE PRESIDENT: Colonel Mornane.

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: My next document is evidentiary document No. 5442, a synopsis of treatment of prisoners of war in New Guinea. I tender this document in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5442 will receive exhibit No. 1832 for identification only, and the excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1832A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1832 for identification; and the excerpt therefrom was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1832A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Prosecution document No. 5379 is an affidavit of Major Charles Henry Bicks of the Australian Imperial Forces. I tender this document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Correction on that last item that was announced, to wit, prosecution's document No. 5442. That was admitted according to the rule of court and given exhibit No. 1832.

(Whereupon, prosecution's document No. 5442, previously marked exhibit
No. 1832 for identification and the excerpt therefrom exhibit 1832A in evidence,
was remarked prosecution's exhibit 1832
and received in evidence.)

Now, prosecution's document No. 5379 will be given exhibit No. 1833 for identification only, and the excerpt will be given exhibit No. 1833A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1833 for identification, and the excerpt therefrom was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1833A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read paragraphs three, four, five and six of this exhibit:

"I was at Milne Bay on Tuesday, 25 August, 1942, when the Japanese landed in that area, and I took part in the fighting which occurred in that area between the Japanese and Australian Forces from the 25th August, 1942 until the 31st August, 1942.

I took a patrol consisting of myself and four others into Japanese occupied territory. At a place called MOTEO, where our forces had engaged the Japanese on the night of the 26th, I saw a native lying on his face in the middle of the road. His hands were tied behind him with signal wire (Don-3 Cable). He had been shot three or four times through the body, and he had also been bayoneted through the stomach about three times. I did not know who this native was, but he appeared to me to have been a native of that district. From my observations, I would say definitely that he had been bayoneted and shot after having been tied up.

"Further on in the jungle, near the same village, I found the body of a native woman. She had been tied down with signal wire by the wrists and legs to stakes. She was lying on her back and was naked. She had been killed by a knife or a bayonet slash from the stomach upwards.

"Further on near Koebele, where fighting had taken place on the night of the 27th, between the 2/10th and the Japanese, I found the bodies of six Australians lying near the track. Their hands had been tied behind their backs with signal wire, and they had been bayoneted through the stomach. Two of them had had their arms smashed with rifle bullets fired at close range. These men were lying with their knees up. I looked for the Identity Discs, but these had all been removed."

Prosecution document No. 5378 is affidavit of former Captain Charles Walter Kendall of 18 Australian Infantry Brigade. I tender this document for identification and the marked excerpt in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5378 will receive exhibit No. 1834 for identification only, and the excerpt therefrom will be exhibit

No. 1834A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1834 for identification; and the excerpt
therefrom was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1834A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read paragraphs two to eight of this document:

"About 1st. or 2nd. September. 1942, at Waga Waga in Milne Bay we captured the headquarters of a Japanese Marine Regiment. In clearing the jungle around these headquarters for our own defensive position, I saw the bodies of two Australian soldiers who had been members of the 61st Militia Battalion.

"One of these bodies was lying on the ground with his hands tied together in front of him, and his trousers pulled down around his knees and tied down to his boots by his belt. He had the tops of his ears cut off, and about twenty knife or bayonet wounds in the body. His hands were tied in front of his chest and his forearms were cut as though he had been trying to protect himself. His buttocks and genitals had been frightfully mutilated.

"About six feet away from his body the other body was tied to a tree, with his hands behind his back. He had about six small wounds on the upper arm. The ground around the base of the tree was very disturbed as though he had been tied there for some days.

"Both these bodies were not more than fifty yards from the Japanese Headquarters which had been captured.

Lillihi, I saw the body of another Australian soldier with his hands tied behind his back, lying face downwards. He was tied with string. He had a wound on his leg with a service field dressing on it, and he had the top of his head cut right off. The top portion of the skull was lying forward as if it had been cut right through with a heavy knife or sword, and had been chopped from the rear. He also had lacerations criss-crossing his back and shoulders. They appeared to be knife or sword wounds and had cut right through the shirt in the flesh.

"Between the villages of Waga Waga and Goroni, near a Japanese wireless station, I saw the body of a native woman pegged out on the ground. The was tied with twine from her wrists and ankles to pegs driven in the ground. Both of her breasts had been cut off and one was placed on her face and the other one on her stomach. The body appeared to be that of a young native woman about 20 years old. The was naked, and did not appear to have been dead for very long. In my opinion, her breasts had been severed with a knife as they were very raggedly cut.

"Within a couple of days a Japanese soldier was captured at Ahioma. He spoke English, and I

showed him the bodies of the two Australian soldiers whom I have previously mentioned. He told me that he was attached to the landing party, and that the ill-treatment and torturing of Australian troops was done by the orders of their officers so that the Japanese soldiers would fight and not surrender, because the same things would be done to them now that these atrocities had been committed on the Australians."

Prosecution document No. 5388 is the affidavit of former Captain Alan Staden Palmer of 1 Australian Independent Company. I tender this document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5388 will receive exhibit No. 1835 for identification only, and the excerpt will receive exhibit

No. 1835A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1835 for identification; and the excerpt therefrom was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1835A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read

paragraphs one and two of this affidavit:

"In August, 1942, I was on patrol duty in the vicinity of Milne Bay in New Guinea and was passing through a small native village about half a mile inland from Rabi mission. On the outskirts of the village I saw eight native men and women lying dead. They had been dead from two to five days, and all were shot or bayoneted.

Australian soldier tied to a coconut palm by D5 telephone cable. His arms had been tied around the tree and the wire had cut deeply into his wrists, and this led me to believe that he was alive when tied to the tree. He was practically naked, waring only a pair of tattered shorts. He had a number of bullet wounds in his body. He was dead. I also saw quite a number of natives lying about dead, including two native women and one native man who were tied to trees. They had been killed by either sword or bayonet thrusts."

Prosecution document No. 405 is my next document. It contains various ATIs bulletins. I tender it for identification.

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No. 405 will receive exhibit No. 1836 for identifica-

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1836 for identification.)

ment No. 405B consists of excerpts from evidentiary document No. 405. 'It contains records of the interrogation of two Japanese prisoners and excerpts from six Japanese diaries. I tender this document in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 405B will receive exhibit No. 1836A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1836A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: From these excerpts it appears that seven to nine Australians, of whom three or four were women and one a child, were captured by the Japanese near Buna towards the middle of August and executed on the following day.

Prosecution's document No. 405A contains further excerpts from evidentiary document No. 405. It contains an excerpt from a captured diary and the record of a statement made by a Japanese prisoner. I tender this document in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 405A will receive exhibit No. 1836B.

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No. 1836B and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read the diary excerpt from the words, "Blood Carnival," down to the words, "instructor to the A. T. C. at Moresby."

"BLOOD CARNIVAL!

KUPOKAWA, NISHIGUCHI, YAWATA and myself) assembled in front of the Headquarters at 1500 hours. One of the two members of the crew of the Douglas which was shot down by A/A on the 18th, and who had been under cross-examination by the 7th Base Force for some days, had been returned to the Salamana Garrison, and it had been decided to kill him. Unit Commander KOMAI, when he came to the observation station today, told us personally that, in accordance with the compassionate

sentiments of Japanese Bushido, he was going to kill the prisoner himself with his favourite sword. So we gathered to observe this. After we had waited a little more than ten minutes, the truce came along.

"The prisoner, who is at the side of the guard house, is given his last drink of water, etc. The Chief Medical Officer, Unit Commander KOMAI and the Headquarters Platoon Commander came out of the officers' mess, wearing their military swords. The time has come, so the prisoner, with his arms bound and his long hair now cropped very close, totters forward. He probably suspects what is afoot; but he is put on the truck and we set out for our destination. I have a seat next to the Chief Medical Officer, but ten guards ride with us. To the pleasant rumble of the engine we run swiftly along the road in the growing twilight. The glowing sun has set behind the western hills, gigantic clouds rise before us, and the dusk is falling all around. It will not be long now. As I picture the scene we are about to witness, my heart beats faster.

"'I glance at the prisoner; he has probably resigned himself to his fate. As though saying farewell to the world, as he sits in the truck he looks, at the hills, at the sea, and seems deep in thought.

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"'As we passed by the place where last year our lamented squad leader was cremated, Technician NISHIOUCHI must have been thinking about him too, for he remarked "It's a long time since we were here last." It certainly is a long time. We could see the place every day from the observation post, but never got a chance to come. It is nearly a year since the squad leader was cremated. I was moved in spite of myself, and as I passed the place I closed my eyes and prayed for the repose of SHIMIZU's soul.

have left the Navy guard sector behind us and now come into the Army guard sector. Here and there we see sentries in the grassy fields, and I thank them in my heart for their toil as we drive on. They must have got it in the bombing the night before last — there are great holes by the side of the road, full of water from the rain. In a little over twenty minutes, we arrive at our destination, and all get off.

"'Unit Commander KOMAI stands up and says
to the prisoner, "We are now going to kill you." When
he tells the prisoner that in accordance with Japanese Boshido he would be killed with a Japanese sword,
and that he would have two or three minutes' grace,

he listens with bowed head. The Flight-Lieutenant says a few words in a low voice. Apparently he wants to be killed with one stroke of the sword. I hear him say the word "One." The Unit Commander becomes tense and his face stiffens as he replies, "Yes."

"'Now the time has come, and the prisoner is made to kneel on the bank of a bomb crater filled with water. He is apparently resigned; the precaution is taken of surrounding him with guards with fixed bayonets, but he remains calm. He even stretches out his neck, and is very brave. When I put myself in the prisoner's place, and think that in one more minute it will be good-bye to this world, although the daily bombings have filled me with hate, ordinary human feelings make me pity him.

"The Unit Commander has drawn his favourite sword. It is the famous OSAMUNE sword which he showed us at the observation post. It glitters in the light and sends a cold shiver down my spine. He taps the prisoner's neck lightly with the back of the blade, then raises it above his head with both arms, and brings it down with a sweep.

"I had been standing with my muscles tensed, but in that moment I closed my eyes.

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spurting from the arteries. With a sound as though simething had been cut, the body falls forward. It is amazing -- he had killed him with one stroke. The onlookers crowd forward. The head, detached from the trunk, rolls in front of it. SSH! SSH!..... The dark blood gushes out.

like a doll. The savageness which I felt only a little while ago is gone, and now I feel nothing but the true compassion of Japanese Bushido. A Senior corporal laughs loudly, ""ell, he will enter Hirvana now!" Then, a superior seaman of the medical unit takes the Chief Medical Officer's Japanese sword and, intent on paying off old scores, turns the headless body over on its back, and cuts the abdomen open with one clear stroke. "They are thick-skinned, these Keto -- even the skin of their bellies is thick." Not a drop of blood comes out of the body. It is pushed over into the crater at once and buried.

"'Now the wind blows mournfully and I see
the scene again in my mind's eye. "e get on to the
truck and start back. It is dark now. "e get off
in front of the Headquarters. I say good-bye to Unit
Commander KOMAI, and climb up the hill with Technician
KUROKAWA. This will be something to rememger all my

life. If ever I get back alive it will make a good story to tell, so I have written it down.

"'At Salamua Observation Post, 30 Mar 43, 0110 hrs, to the sound of the midnight waves.

"'Note: The prisoner killed today was an air Force Flight-Lieutenant from Moresby. He was a young man, 23 this year, said to have been an instructor to the A. T. C. at Moresby. "

Prosecution document No. 5390 is a statement made by Sepoy Bachan Singh of 1/13 F. F. R. I tender the document for identification and the excerpts marked therein in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5390 will receive exhibit No. 1837 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1837A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1837 for identification, and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1837A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I propose to read the marked excerpts other than the translator's certificate. (Reading):

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"On 5 May 1943, I left Singapore for New Guinea as a prisoner of war in a Japanese ship.

There were about 595 men in the party. I cannot describe the hardships we suffered during the voyage.

For bathing and washing we had to use sea water. Food was very little and there was a space only 10 feet by 10 feet for all of us in which to sleep. I could neither sleep nor sit down. These hardships lasted for ten days.

"On 16 May 1943, I disembarked at Wewak, New Guinea. For two days following our arrival we were given no shelter, clothing or food of any kind. We were tormented by mosquitoes and several men fell ill. Then our officers reported about the lack of food the Japanese beat them saying, 'That's our affair. Whatever we do is right.' Two days later we were taken to a place 3 miles away. There an order was given that every man will build his own hut out of jungle plants. Nobody could make smoke, etc. by day nor light a fire at night because they were afraid of American aircraft. If anyone did anything to the contrary he was punished with death. After about a week, our men began dying of fever, dysentery, beriberi and several other diseases. Our party was sent from Wewak to another place. From there 350 men were

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THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

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to But. The remainder (those who were in Wewak) were sick. For them there was no arrangement for rations or medicine, I went with the 350 men to But. For the next 3 months fit PWs got rations but no food was given to the sick. We used to share our rations with them. We were worked so hard that we got no rest during the day or night. For about 8 days we were made to work continuously without any relief. The result was that 5 or 6 men died every day. Nothing could be done to dispose of their bodies by cremation or burial. Those who became ill were only relieved of fatigues then they could not walk. They would relieve a man one or two days before he died. If our officers complained they would be brutally beaten. No heed was given to any report or grievance.

"On 14 December 43, at about 1 a. m. American aircraft began to bomb the locality and afterwards they came regularly. Then our officers told the Jap officer i/c of the party that a flag should be put over our camp to indicate prisoners of war. There was a Jap. Lt. Col. TAKANO present to whom this was reported by the Jap. officer. He replied, 'No permission from our Government to place flags over P. W. camps has been received.

"While air raids were going on he put us
to work on the airfield. Our officers complained
that their men should not have to remain on the airfield during an air raid but this complaint was
rejected. On aircraft approaching, all the Japs of
our party used to run into the jungle, but our orders
were that none was to move a step. If any I. O. R.
or officer fled for cover they were severely beaten.
Due to this they could not sleep for several nights.

"On 15 Dec. 43, at But when we were working on the airfield there was a very heavy air attack in which 5 of our men were killed and 10 wounded. The latter were given no treatment or food. They were taken to a Jap hospital where several of them were killed by some injection of poison. I worked at But for about 10 months during which I got 4 biscuits and 5 (ounces?) of boiled rice per day. From But we returned to Wewak. At But 160 men died out of 350. Only 190 men reached Wewak. When I got there I learnt that all the sick, whom we had left there, had died. After 2 days at Wewak we were sent to Boiken -- about half way between But and Wewak.

"On 25 Apr. 44 after we had been working there for 3 months the Japs ordered all of us who could walk to get ready to accompany them to Ranja (AITAPE?)

carrying Jap stores and a month's rations as Ranji was about 300 miles from Boiken. We were told that we would go on foot and would have to make our own ration arrangements. If anyone fell out through illness during the march he would get no attention except to be shot. We were given each about 12 lbs rice and ½ lb salt as a month's ration and told that that would be our food for the journey from Boiken to Ranja.

"The Jap officer commanding our party (No. 17) was named Lt. YAMAHOKO. His 2 1/c was Lt. NAKADO and junior to them were YAMAMOTO and YAMASHITA. The first three beat a great number of our men and left several of them to die on the march. YAMASHITA WAS A VARY GOOD OFFICER. He never geat anybody himself. Then we had set out from Boiken and reached But we were stopped there by the Japs who ordered us to return to our original camps from which we had come. I heard that the Americans had landed at Hollandia and for that reason we would be sent back. We were brought back to Boiken. I became very happy when I heard that the Allied Armies had landed at Hollandia. We came back to Boiken and stayed there for 18 days and rejoined the original party of sick men which had been left there.

"On 5 May 44 the Japs ordered all fit men to go with them into the jungle. The sick were to stay at the hospital where a Jap doctor would remain to attend to them. The fit men with the Japanese set out for the jungle. The sick men including myself were left in hospital about 4 miles from Boiken. As I remained with the sick I know nothing about the fit men who went with the Japs. Then the Jap doctor, whose name I do not know but whom I could identify, gave an order that 30 patients from those who were the most seriously ill were to be sent to the big Jap hospital. It was 1700 hours when he gave this order. The big hospital was about 1 mile distant. I did not go with the 30 men as I remained with the others. I do not know where those 30 were taken but that night 2 seriously wounded men crawled back into our camp where I was lying ill. They told us that the Japs had killed the other 28 and that they were the only survivors. All had been killed by bayoneting and shooting. They had escaped only by good luck but had been badly wounded. Our officers asked the Jap officers asked the Jap officers why the 28 men had been killed. They replied that the two men were lying, that all were alive and that after three days they would be taken there to see them.

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"On 10 May 44 the Jap doctor ordered 35 men from the worst cases to be sent to the big hospital. They too went and were destroyed. At 10 o'clock that night one man returned. He had bayonet wounds in the chest and was covered with earth, but had not died. Then he had regained consciousness (he said) he got up and fled back to our camp. He told us that the remaining 34 men had been bayoneted and buried in a trench. 'I was with them, too,' he said. 'My life was spared but with this wound there is no hope for me. Look after your own lives, if possible, because the Japs will kill you all one by one.'

"Then we considered that it would be better to escape from there than to be killed. At midnight all of us ran away in different directions and became separated. I and 20 others went to a place in the jungle and began to live there. Nothing was ever heard about the rest of the party. I lived as a fugitive under terrible hardships, living on plants in the jungle for 1 year 9 days -- from 10 May 44 to 22 May 45. Then the Australian Army rescued me from the claws of the Japs. I don't know what became of the Japs in our camp because we had run away from them that night. Out of the 20 men who were with me in the jungle 5 were recovered and reached Australia. The

Japs searched for the others and killed them."

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Prosecution document No. 5384 is a statutory declaration made by Jemadar Abdul LATIF, of 4/9 Jat Regiment. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

ment No. 5384 will receive exhibit No. 1838 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1838-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1838 for identification, and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1838-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read paragraph 3 of this declaration.

"In April, 1944, I was with 26 Indian working party during a march from Wewak towards Hollandia. Private Fatch Khan was with me on that march. In the vicinity of Boiken he complained to Lieut. KASHIMOTO that he was too week to carry his load and asked that it be lightened. Lieut. KASHIMOTO was in charge of the party. He ordered

Corporal YAMADA (now deceased) and other Japanese soldiers to bind Private Fatch Khan's hands and feet and put him in the sea. He was thereupon tied up by four soldiers, carried out into four feet of water, and left there. He drowned, while Liett.

KASHIMOTO and the other Japanese looked on. I and the other Indians now deceased witnessed the incident."

Prosecution document No. 5391 is a statutory declaration made by Lance Corporal Dina Nath, of 3/17 Dogra Regiment. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

ment No. 5391 will receive exhibit No. 1839 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1839-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1839 for identification, and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1839-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The declarant, as an Indian prisoner of war, was a member of 18

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Indian working party. In May, 1944, the main body of this party went to Rabang, leaving behind at But 100 sick Indians. About a month later Jap Lance Corporal TAKASHI, who had remained with these sick prisoners, said they had been killed by machine guns and hand grenades as a reprisal because some Gurkhas had signalled to Allied aircraft.

Prosecution document No. 5382 is a statutory declaration by Private Chain Singh, of 2/12 Frontier Force. I tender this document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5382 will receive exhibit No. 1840 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1840-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1840 for identification, and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1840-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The declarant states that in August, 1944, two Indian prisoners

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of war, Sergeant Wariam Singh and Lance Corporal Fazara Singh, were beaten by the Japanese with a shovel and sticks and were then taken away. He never saw them again.

Prosecution document No. 5383 is a statement of Japanese Lance Private YASUSAKA, MASAJI, of 19 Special "ater Duty Coy. I tender this document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

ment No. 5383 will receive exhibit No. 1841 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1841-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1841 for identification, and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1841-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: YASUSAKI admits
that he and another Japanese shot and killed the
two Indian prisoners of war, Sergeant Wariam Singh
and Lance Corporal Hazara Singh, referred to in the

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previous exhibit.

Prosecution document No. 5380 is a statement by Japanese Lance Private YASUSAKA. I tender this document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

clerk OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5380 will receive exhibit No. 1842 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1842-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1842 for identification, and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1842-A and received in evidence.)

Ranimboa, in September, 1944, an Indian officer,
Reshid Mohd and an Indian NCO complained to the
Japanese that another Japanese soldier had taken
tobacco and shoes from them. YASUSAKA and another
Japanese then tied the Indians' hands, took them
into the bush and shot them.

Prosecution document No. 5381 is a statu-

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tory declaration by Private Lakhu Ram. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

ment No. 5381 will receive exhibit No. 1843 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1843-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1843 for identification, and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1843-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: This document refers to the same happening as the previous exhibit.

Prosecution document No. 5386 is a statutory declaration made by Jemadar Chint Singh, of 2/12 Frontier Force. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5386 will receive exhibit No. 1844 for

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1844 for identification, and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1844-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The declarant tells of an Indian prisoner of war being beaten into unconsciousness by a Japanese in February, 1945, at Furringe. Three weeks later he died from the effects of this beating.

Prosecution document No. 5387 is a statutory declaration made by Sergeant Hamir Singh, of 2/12 Frontier Force. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

ment No. 5387 will receive exhibit No. 1845 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1845-A.

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hibit No. 1845 for identification, and the excerpts therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1845-A and received in evidence.)

The declarant tells of the shooting and killing of four sick Indian officers, who were prisoners of war, by the Japanese at Yawa, New Guines, in February, 1945.

Prosecution document No. 5229 is a record of the interrogation of Japanese Captain ONO, Satoru, of 53 Field Anti-aircraft Artillery Battalion, 36 Livision, Second Army. I tender the document for identification, and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5229 will receive exhibit No. 1846 for identification only, and the excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1846-A.

(Whereupon, prosecution's document No. 5229 was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1846 for identification; and the excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document number, was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1846-A and received in evidence.)

that he applied to Yoshino unit commander for an American prisoner of war to kill. He was given two. He had them bayoneted and then beheaded. One was finally beheaded with a shovel. This was in 1944. He did it because he had a strong, hostile feeling on account of Americans' bombing his battery.

Prosecution document No. 5385 is sworn record of interrogation of Captain KATO, Kihachiro, of

Fujimurra Unit. I tender the document for identification and marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5385 will receive exhibit No. 1847 for identification only, and the marked excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1847-A.

(Whereupon, prosecution's document No. 5385 was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1847 for identification; and the excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document number, was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1847-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The deponent stated that on orders of Chief of Staff, Livisional Head-quarters, he executed an Australian soldier who had been captured at Otakwa about 12 November 1944.

Prosecution cocument No. 5314 is a Netherlands Forces Intelligence Service report, with two photographs attached. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpts, including photographs, in evidence.

THE PRESILENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5314 will receive exhibit No. 1848 for identification

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only, and the marked excerpts therefrom, including the photographs, will receive exhibit No. 1848-A.

(Whereupon, prosecution's document
No. 5314 was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1848 for identification; and the excerpts
therefrom, bearing the same document number,
were marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1848-A
and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The report contains a statement by a Japanese prisoner of war admitting that he took part in the execution of an Australian sergeant and two Ambon natives at Aitape on 24 October 1943.

I will read the statement of prisoner YUNOME, Kunio.

"About September, 1943, I was ordered to report by the Aitape agent Commander Shingawa to go to Maroe where a branch of the Aitape agent was located. The Commander of that branch was HIROE of the Naval garrison troops. The Takasa Unit which consisted of about six men and two civilian employees were also in Maroe. The natives in the area reported to HIROE that there was an element of enemy reconnaissance unit in the rear side of the mountains. Thereupon, HIROE, the Takasa Unit, and I, went to investigate the said

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However, we were unable to find the enemy. HIROE told the natives in that area that if anyone should capture this enemy he would be well rewarded. About two weeks later, about ten natives brought to HIROE an Australian sergeant and two Ambon natives. Upon request, I interpreted for HIROE and interrogated them. A report about this was made to SHINAGOWA of the Aitape agent. Then these three prisoners were taken to Aitape. Sergeant Major WATANABE who was the garrison troop leader made the report through wireless to the Wewak Headquarters. I heard from YASUNO that an answer from headquarters came through a wireless saying to execute the men. Therefore, I believe we executed them the following day.

"On 24 October 1943, Sergeant Major WATANABE ordered the natives to dig a hole in the sand along the seacoast. Then Sergeant Major WATANABE, Sergeant YASUNO, myself, MITSUBASHI, ADACHI, six men of the Takasa Unit and about 25 or 26 men of the Navy garrison unit went to the place of execution. There were natives also present at the execution. The first execution was done by YASUNO, who beheaded the Australian sergeant with a sword. By the order of YASUNO, I then beheaded one of the Ambon natives with a sword.

manner. I believe ALASHI, a civilian employee, was the one who took the picture of the execution. After the execution we buried them and covered the hole with sand. I was told by YASUNO that the reason for the execution was that they were guilty of reconnoitering the area and giving secret information through wireless, the natives acting as a spy."

I would draw the Tribunal's attention to the two photographs which accompany this exhibit, one showing a native about to be beheaded.

Prosecution document No. 5389 is a Netherlands Forces Intelligence Service report. I tender it for identification, and the marked excerpts in evidence.

This report contains a statement by Fusilier
Nawi bin Giman that in July 1944, on Noemfoor Island,
he and sixteen other Indonesians were tied up and
bayoneted by the Japanese. He and one other feigned
death and ultimately escaped. At least fourteen of the
remainder were killed.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5389 will receive exhibit No. 1849 for identification

only. The marked excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1849-A.

(Whereupon, prosecution's document
No. 5389 was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1849 for identification; and the excerpt
therefrom, bearing the same document number,
was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1849-A
and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Prosecution's document No. 409 is an ATIS bulletin. I tender prosecution's document No. 409 for identification.

No. 409 will receive exhibit No. 1850 for identification only.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1850 for identification.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Prosecution's document No. 409-A contains extracts from evidentiary document No. 409. Paper 578 contains an order made by the Tribunal on the 25th of November, 1946, authorizing service of excerpts from evidentiary document No. 409 on accused instead of copies of evidentiary document No. 409-A in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 409-A will receive exhibit No. 1850-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1850-A, and was received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read subparagraphs a and b from first page of document.

"a. Extract from document entitled 'Daily
Record of Investigation of Prisoners,' dated 8 March 14 May, 1942, unit unknown, containing daily records
of investigation of Chinese, natives and civilians,
under surveillance in LAE Area:

them at the Mountain Gun Unit sentry group, they did not confess. Perhaps MAHI and the other natives took separate roads to come here, so the latter did not see them. However, considering the future, one person was handed over to the Chief Medical Officer of No. 4 Air Medical Unit for medical experiments, and the other five persons were stabbed to death.' (ATIS Enemy Publications No. 65, page 6).

"b. Prisoner of War FUSEI, Iwataro, (JA 145118) labourer, member of 15 Pioneer Battalion, surrendered near Buna, 3 January 1943, stated: "An Australian Second Lieutenant was captured at Buna in September and was questioned by Interpreter SATO. He was examined as to Allied treatment of prisoners of war and stated that we placed them in internment camps and that they were well treated. After examination he was beheaded that night. The medical officer of 14 Pioneer Unit acted as executioner using his own sword.

of them is said to have claimed to be a Mexican. The other was an American. Prisoner of war stated he did not know full details. Interpreter SATO told him that these prisoners of war were blindfolded while being questioned and afterwards were both beheaded by the same medical officer of the 14 Pioneers who used his own sword.' (ATIS Advanced Echelon No. 1. Subsequent Preliminary Interrogation of Prisoner of War JA 145118, page 3.)"

That completes the evidence I have to offer on the New Guinea section of this phase.

THE PRESIDENT: Have you considered the whole of this document in hand, and have you read all you intend to read?

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I am sorry, I did not catch what you said, Mr. President.

(Whereupon, the question of the President was read by the official court reporter.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Of the New Guinea phase, I have, your Honor.

If there are any documents that your Honor suggests, any parts of those documents your Honor thinks would be of assistance to the Tribunal, I would be glad to read them.

I may say, with regard to the remainder of that document, I am bringing that in in the Solomon Islands phase dealing with Guadalcanal.

My next document is evidentiary document
No. 5445, a synopsis of the treatment of prisoners
of war in New Britain. I tender this document in
evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5445 will receive exhibit No. 1851.

(Whereupon, the document above
referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1851, and was received in evidence.)
LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Prosecution's
document No. 5311 is a record of evidence given by
Private William Cook, 2/10 Australian Field Ambulance.

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I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5311 will receive exhibit No. 1852 for identification only, and the marked excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document number, will receive exhibit

No. 1852-A.

(Whereupon, prosecution's document
No. 5311 was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1852 for identification; and the excerpt
therefrom, bearing the same document number,
was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1852-A
and received in evidence.)

that on the 4th of February 1942, the Japanese captured a party of twenty-four Australian soldiers and one civilian at Tol, in New Britain. The soldiers were army medical corps men, and drew the attention of the Japanese to the Red Cross armbands. The Japanese to their armbands off.

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I will now read the third, fourth and fifth paragraphs on page 3 of the document.

(Reading): "Just before reaching TOL, a civilian European policeman from RABAUL and another soldier were added to our party, making it 25 all told. On arriving at TOL, the Japanese soldiers were allowed to ransack our packs and to search for anything which may have been of value to them. Rings and watches were taken from us.

"We were told to put everything out of our pockets on to the ground, and our pay books were collected. They then tied our hands behind our backs with fishing cord, and we were tied together in parties of twos and threes. They then separated from us the European member of the police force. They then took off our tin hats, and as we were marched off, they were questioning the member of the police force. They marched us to a plantation about half a mile from TOL in the direction of RABAUL. We were, by signs, told to sit down on a slight rise on the track leading into the plantation, with our back towards the plantation. At this stage we protested against the treatment, as we were of the Red Cross, and each of us wore a Red Cross arm band. The officer-in-charge just ripped our arm bands off our sleeves and kept

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them in his hand.

"They started to take the men down the track in parties, but the first man was taken down separately. Then we followed in groups of two or three. I was in the second last party consisting of three. There were two in the last party.

"The officer, by signs, asked us would we sooner be bayoneted or shot. We asked to be shot. We were taken down the track. When we reached the bottom of the track, three other Japanese with fixed bayonets intercepted us and walked behind us. The first blow" --

I am afraid the translation -- May I have another one? I have got it here, two lines from the next page.

(Reading continued): "The first blow knocked the three of us to the ground. Our thumbs were tied behind our backs and native lap laps were used to connect us together through our arms. They stood above us and stabbed us several more times. I received five stabs. I pretended death and held my breath.

"The Japanese then walked away. The soldier who was lying next to me groaned. One Japanese came back and stabbed him again. I could not hold my breath

any longer, and when I breathed he heard it and stabbed me another six times. The last thrust went through my ear, face and into my mouth, severing an artery which caused the blood to gush out of my mouth. He then placed cocoanut fronds and vines over the three of us. I lay there and heard the last two men being shot.

"I law there for approximately one hour, when I decided to try to escape. I untied the cloth which connected me with the other two and walked towards the sea, which was about 50 yards away. After a few steps, I collapsed. It seemed only a short time before I regained consciousness. I then tried to saw the bonds from my thumbs on the iron heel of my boot, but could not do so because my thumbs were swollen. After a short while, I managed to get my leg between my two hands and I chewed at the knot until it became undone. I then walked towards the beach. I made my way along the beach, walking as much as possible in the water to avoid leaving traces of blood and at the same time bathing my back in the salt water. Just at dusk I sighted the smoke of a camp fire in the jungle near the beach, and made towards it."

Prosecution document No. 5312 is a record

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of evidence of Driver Wilkie Desmond Collins, the 2/10 Australian Field Ambulance. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5312 will receive exhibit No. 1853 for identi
fication only, and the marked excerpt therefrom will

receive exhibit No. 1853-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1853 for identification; and the excerpts
therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1853-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Collins was one of a party of 123 Australian soldiers captured by the Japs at TOL. They were broken up into parties of ten or twelve and marched into the bush. The members of his party were bayoneted or shot. He, himself, was shot, but escaped after feigning death.

Prosecution document No. 5313 is a record of the evidence of Private Hugh Joseph Webster of 2/22nd Australian Infantry Battalian. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5313 will receive exhibit No. 1854 for identification only, and the marked excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1854-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1854 for identification; and the excerpt therefrom was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1854-A and received in evidence.)

that on the 4th of February, 1942, he and eleven other Australian soldiers were captured by the Japanese at Waitavlo in New Britain, tied up and shot. Ten were killed. The deponent and one other man were wounded.

In addition to this I have evidence, if
the Tribunal pleases, that recently investigations
were made and the Battalion Commander of the Battalion-Japanese battalion that was at Tol was interrogated
and ordered to go away, write out a statement, and
return for further interrogation. At about the same
time a request was sent out to a man who was medical
officer of this battalion demanding that he should
come to Tokyo for interrogation. Neither of them
came to Tokyo and on investigations being made, it was

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found that the Battalion Commander had committed suicide at Kotemba, and the Medical Officer had also committed suicide. If the Tribunal thinks that they could possibly draw any inference from these facts, I have a witness whom I could put into the box to-morrow morning.

THE PRESIDENT: Did the deceased Japanese make any admissions which you could prove through that witness or any other witness?

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The deceased colonel left a diary which has not been completely translated yet -- a diary of the last eleven days of his life.

I am told that in that he accepted full responsibility for his battalion, but do not know whether he referred to this particular incident.

THE PRESIDENT: Obviously we can draw no inferences from anything you have said because you have not proved anything; and the mere proof of the suicides would warrant no inference of any kind.

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: If the Tribunal pleases, prosecution document No. 5400 is an affidavit made by Lieutenant Wong Yo Sin of 200 Battalion, 67th Division, Chinese National Army. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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No. 5400 will receive exhibit No. 1855 for identi
fication only, and the excerpt exhibit No. 1855-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1855 for identification only; and the
excerpt therefrom was marked prosecution's
exhibit No. 1855-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The deponent says that ten Chinese soldiers, whom he names, were shot and killed by the Japs at Rabaul on the 29th of January, 1943, because they were too sick to work.

Prosecution's document No. 5401 is affidavit of Major Lee Wai Sin of the Third Field Volunteer Army. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK CF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5401 will receive exhibit No. 1856 for identi
fication only; and the excerpt will receive exhibit

No. 1856-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 5401 for identification; and the excerpt

therefrom was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1856-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: My attention has been drawn by my friend, Mr. Blewett, to the fact that the last document establishes the death of two Chinese soldiers, not ten; and the date is the 25th of January, 1943.

In document 5401 the deponent says that ten Chinese soldiers were killed by shooting by the Japanese at Rabaul on the 29th of January, 1943, because they had no strength to work for the Japanese.

Prosecution's document No. 5402 is an affidavit made by Major Lee Wai Sin of Third Field Volunteer Army. I tender this document for identidication and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5402 will receive exhibit No. 1857 for identi
fication only, and the marked excerpt therefrom will

be exhibit No. 1857-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1857 for identification; and the excerpt
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LIEUT. COLONEL MORNAND: The deponent says that on the 4th of February, 1943, at Rabaul, the Japanese shot and killed six Chinese officers and soldiers because they were too ill to work.

Prosecution's document No 5393 is record of evidence given by Captain Liu Wei Pao of the Chinese National Army. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpt in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5393 will receive exhibit No. 1858 for identi
fication only, and the excerpt therefrom will be
exhibit No. 1858-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1858 for identification; and the excerpt
therefrom was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1858-A and received in evidence.)

that at Rabaul on the 3rd of March, 1943, the Japanese took twenty-four sick Chinese soldiers from the sick quarters, forced them into a grave that had already been dug, and shot them all. On the 10th of March, 1943, a further batch of sick Chinese soldiers who were ill were killed by the Japanese in the same manner.

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THE PRESIDENT: We will recess for fifteen
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MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Military Tribunal for the Far last is now resumed.

THE PRESIDENT: Colonel Mornane.

LIFUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Prosecution document
No. 5404 is the affidavit made by Captain Yung Pang
Fae of the Central Volunteer Chinese Army Headquarters.
I tender this document for identification and the
marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5404 will receive exhibit No. 1859 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will be exhibit No. 1859A.

(Whereupon, prosecution's document No. 5404 was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1859 for identification, the excerpts therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1859A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONFL MORNANE: The deponent states that on the 3rd of April, 1943, eleven sick Chinese soldiers were executed with swords because they were too ill to work.

Prosecution's document No. 5405, the record of evidence of Corporal Shieh Tschen Tse of the Chinese National Army. I tender this document for identification

and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLIRK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5405 will receive exhibit No. 1860 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will be exhibit

No. 1860A.

(Whereupon, prosecution's document
No. 5405 was marked prosecution's exhibit No.
1860 for identification, the excerpts therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No.
1860A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: This document refers to the same killing as the previous exhibit. This fixes Kokopo as the place of execution.

Prosecution document No. 5406, an affidavit made by Captain Cheung Yee Yu of the Third Field Volunteer Army. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5406 will receive exhibit No. 1861 for identification only; the excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit

No. 1861A.

(Thereupon, prosecution's document No. 5406 was marked prosecution's exhibit No.

1861 for identification, the excerpts therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1861A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read the first two paragraphs of this affidavit:

"Pte Lo Yan Cheung of my 3rd Field Volunteer Army, was shot by Japanese because he was too ill to work. He was shot by Lt. SASAKI, member of the (Yang Butai) No. 9644 Kerevat Aerodrome. This occurred in Kerevat 9 October 1943. He was shot by rifles.

"This man with his comrades was working together in Kerevat Aerodrome - treated him like a slave, lived in filthy places, bitten by mosquitoes and became ill. No doctor attended him while he was sick, besides no medicine was given to him, supply insufficient food for him to eat - on account of this, he could not work, so this Lt. SASAKI, officer in charge of this party, take him into the bush and shot him through the skull.

"I saw this happen."

Prosecution document No. 5407 is an affidavit made by Lieutenant Tan Bai Ming of Central Chinese Volunteer Army. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5407 will receive exhibit No. 1862 for identification only, and the marked excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1862A.

(Whereupon, prosecution's document
No. 5407 was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1862 for identification, the marked
excerpts therefrom being marked prosecution's
exhibit No. 1862A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONFL MORNANE: The deponent states that on the second of November, 1943, at Kekawat Aerodrome the Japanese killed by shooting a Chinese soldier who was too ill to work.

Prosecution document No. 5408 is an affidavit by corporal Pang Nam Ting of the 88th Division. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLIRK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5408 will receive exhibit No. 1863 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1863A.

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LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: Deponent states that on the 26th of July, 1944, at Rabaul a Chinese soldier was clubbed to death by the Japanese because he was too ill to work.

Prosecution document No. 5409 is a record of evidence of Mrs. Lee Yitsai Kunyang of Chinatown, Rabaul. I tender this document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRISIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLIRK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5409 will receive exhibit No. 1864 for identification only, and the excerpt therefrom will have exhibit

No. 1864A.

(Whereupon, prosecution's document
No. 5409 was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1864 for identification, the excerpts
therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1864A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The deponent is fifty-nine years of age. In April, 1943, because of having a radio set she was beaten by the Japanese until she fainted. Her six sons were also beaten and finally one was beheaded.

prosecution's document No. 5217 is an affidavit made jointly by 1st Lieutenant James A. McMurria,
2nd Lieutenant Jose L. Holquin, and 2nd Lieutenant
Alphonse D. Quinones, all of the 5th United States
Air Force. I tender this document for identification
and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5217 will receive exhibit No. 1865 for identification only, and the marked excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1865A.

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No. 5217 was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1865 for identification, the excerpts
therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1865A and received in evidence.)

LITUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read the fourth paragraph of this affidavit:

wood building where we slept on the floor. Conditions were very crowded and at times it was impossible for all of us to lie down. We received about a coffee cup three-fourths full of rice and half a cup of soup three times a day. Beating of prisoners was common at the camp for the slightest infraction of the

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rules and many times for no reason at all. These beatings were sometimes rather severe and Japanese often used bamboo clubs, bayonet cases, belts, their fists, and ramrods from their rifles. They also used rifle butts, and often when a prisoner was down they would kick him in the testicles. Corporal WADA was the worst offender in the beating of prisoners. He was nicknamed 'the Bull.' We had no American medical attention. At first there were 64 allied prisoners at the camp. Forty of these were reported by the Japanese as having been killed by bombing while being transported to another camp. Twelve American prisoners of war and five other American prisoners died in camp from starvation, beri beri, dysentery, combined with lack of medical care. There were only six allied prisoners who were alive when the camp was liberated on 7 September 1945."

Prosecution document No. 5438 is a statement made by Captain John J. Murphy of Allied Intelligence Eureau. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read this statement:

"Norman Vickers of the Royal New Zealand Air Force, was with us as a prisoner of war off Tunnel Hill Hoad, Rabaul.

"He stated that he was shot down in the Bougainville-Shortlands area I believe.

"When he arrived at the prison camp in Rabaul he had been cruelly ill-treated. He had been bound by ropes to which fish hooks had been attached in such a way that whenever he moved his head the fish hooks would pierce his face.

"Vickers' health deteriorated and in July,
1944, he died in my presence as a result of malnutrition and dysentery."

Prosecution document No. 5410 is an affidavit made by Mauta Leonard, a native boy. I tender this document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5410 will receive exhibit No. 1867 for identification only; the marked excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1867A.

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that at Tobers Airfield a Japanese struck a native boy who retaliated by punching the Japanese in the eye. The native boy and four other native boys were tied up. The Japanese than struck them all on the head with a mallet. Three were killed in this manner. The whole five, including two who were still alive, were then buried.

Prosecution document No. 5433 is a record of an Australian Military Court in relation to trial of Navy Workman KIKAWA, Haruo on two charges of murder. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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No. 5433 will receive exhibit No. 1868 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1868A.

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LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: This refers to the same happening as the previous exhibit. It fixes the time of the happening as August, 1943.

Prosecution document No. 5412 consists of affidavits of Sweeper Giani, Pioneer Lungi Kobe, both of the Indian Army. I cender this document for identification, and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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No. 5412 will receive exhibit No. 1869 for identification only, and the marked excerpt therefrom will

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No. 1869-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The deponents say that in May 1944 an Indian named Fakira was beaten by the Japanese and then hung.

Prosecution document No. 5414 is a record of the evidence of Jem Qutubuddin of the 1st Battalion, Hyderabad Infantry. I tender this document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The deponent with a party of 35 Indian was at Nishizakiyama in November 1944 as prisoners of war. They were starved by the Japanese. Two sepoys were alleged by the Japanese to have stolen rice. They were taken away and executed by the Japanese without any trial.

Prosecution document No. 5413 is a statutory declaration made by a native named Numa. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5413 will receive exhibit No. 1871 for identification only; and the excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1871-A.

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LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The declarant states that between December 1944 and March 1945 at Nangagua Japanese took a mosquito net and some calico from three Indian prisoners of war. The Indians objected to this, whereupon the Japanese had them beheaded.

Prosecution document No. 5411 is an affidavit of Pioneer Parasuram of the Indian Army. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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No. 5411 will receive exhibit No. 1872 for identification only; the excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1872-A.

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that on 12 February 1945 an Indian, Bindhu Mistri, became exhausted at his work and asked the Japanese commander for permission to rest. The prisoner was then beaten into unconsciousness by the Japanese

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commander. The prisoner died two days later as a result of this treatment.

Prosecution document No. 5416 is an affidavit by Havildar Chandgi Ram of the Indian Army. I tender the document for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 5416 will receive exhibit No. 1873 for identification only. The marked excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1873-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1873 for identification; and the excerpt therefrom was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1873-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read the second and third paragraphs of this affidavit:

"On the 12th of November 1944 I was digging a trench for Japanese truck in Totabil Area. About 1600 hours one single engined United States fighter plane made a forced landing about 100 yards away from where I was working. The Japanese belonging to Go Butai Kendebo Camp rushed to the spot and got hold of the pilot, aged about 19 years, who had come out of

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the machine himself before the Japanese reached him. General INAMORA also lived there in the Japanese Army Headquarters.

"About half an hour from the time of forced landing, Japanese Military Police, Kempeitai, beheaded the Allied pilot. I saw this from behind a tree and noticed Japanese cut his flesh from arms, legs, chest and hips and carried the same to their quarters. I was shocked at the scene and followed the Japanese just to find out what they do to the flesh. They cut the flesh to small pieces and fried it. About 1800 hours a Japanese high official (a Major-General) addressed about 150 Japanese, mostly officers. At the conclusion of the speech a piece of the fried flesh was given to all present, who ate it on the spot."

That completes the evidence for the New Britain Section of this phase. I will now come to the Solomon Islands, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Naru and Ocean Island sector. The synopsis is evidentiary document No. 5446. I tender it in evidence.

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No. 5446 will receive exhibit No. 1874.

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No. 5447 is a record of the interrogation of Captain WATANABE, Kaoru, and Major ITO, Taichi, both of 17

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CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 5447 will receive exhibit No. 1875 for identification only; the excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1875-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1875 for identification; and the excerpt therefrom was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1875-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: In the course of the interrogation it was admitted that two American airmen who had come down in the sea between Taiof Island and Porton in Bougainville were beheaded on orders of Headquarters, 17 Army. This happened in December 1943.

Prosecution document No. 5452 is a Netherlands Forces Intelligence Service report. I tender it for identification and marked excerpts in evidence.

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LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: This report states

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Prosecution document No. 5262 is an affidavit of Cher Chee a Chinese civilian captured in Hong Kong. I tender the document for identification and marked

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LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: I will read the marked excerpts of this affidavit:

"I am a Chinese and was residing at Hong Kong and was captured there by the Japanese in December 1941. I was taken from Hong Kong to Canton and from there to Saigon. From there I went to Batavia and then to Sourabaya. From there I went to Singapore and then to Rabaul and then to Tulagi. In November 1942 I was brought to Buin area and remained there until the war finished. I was a member of a labor party attached to the TANAKA battalion. In April or May 1943 I was engaged in road making. About that time one of the Chinese became sick and was unable to work. I do not know what his name was.

"Three or four of the guards took this man, tied his thumbs together behind his back, and pulled him up with a block and tackle attached to his thumbs until he was off the ground. They left him like that for twenty minutes. They then took him down and he died within a few minutes. I saw all this myself.

About ten Chinese witnessed this incident. This took place about one mile from Kahili, on the road. The guards used to be changed each day, and the perpetrators

of this incident were guarding us for this day only.

The guards were private soldiers. I would not be able to identify them again. They were members of the TANAKA Battalion. Other Chinese took the body away to bury it.

name I do not know was sick with fever. Allied planes come over Buin and this Chinese was sick and frightened and made a noise. One of the guards went away and came back with two or three other Japanese. These men were private soldiers of the Tanaka Battalion. I heard them order some Chinese to dig a hole. Some Chinese went away and I heard them digging. When the Chinese came back they told me that the Chinese who was sick and had made a noise had been buried alive. I did not actually witness this. The sick man was quartered in a hut half a mile away, and most of what I know of this incident is hearsay.

"Sometime in 1944 I was employed with other
Chinese in felling trees to make a bridge over a small
stream in a garden near the Mission Station at Muguai.
After we had chopped a tree down the bridge was built.
We told the guard that the tree was too heavy for two
men to carry. The guard wrote the order in Chinese and
we replied verbally in Chinese. The guard belonged to

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a unit the number of which was 4801. They were guarding No. 76 Hospital. Three of the guar's struck me in
the face with their open hand for about five minutes.
They knocked twelve teeth out. They were all good
strong teeth. There was only the other Chinese present.
They then struck Chang Kow Ye, the other Chinaman, in
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"About April or May, 1943, near Kahili a Chinese living in the same hut as me had been sick for four or five days and couldn't work. One of the Japanese guards told him that he was all right and was only trying to get out of work. The sick man was lying down and the guard poured a quantity of water down his throat until his stomach was swelled up. After this the guard brought two more Japanese and they placed a board across the sick man's stomach while he was lying on the ground and one guard sat on each end of the board. The pressure made the water come back out of the man's mouth. A quantity of water came out of his mouth and a few minutes later he died. I do not know the name of this Chinese. The guards were privates of the TANAKA Battalion. I do not know the names of the Japanese but I could recognise the guard who poured water. Four Chinese carried the body away for burial."

Down at the bottom:

"In May 1943, near Buin I saw a white man dressed in overalls like a Pilot would wear. He was a young man. The Japanese tied his hands behind his back, and made him sit on the ground. They put a drum of boiling water beside him. About nine of them then filed past him and each one emptied a tin of

boiling water over him. The man screamed with pain.

I saw him fall flat on the ground and lie still and he stopped screaming. He appeared to me to be dead.

The Japanese were soldiers not officers. The white man was tall, of medium build, clean-shaven and fair.

The overalls were khaki. I was the only Chinese who

"There are Chinese in this Compound who can give evidence of about 300 white men who were either killed by the Japanese or died while they were held as prisoners on Shortlands Islands."

Prosecution document No. 5263 is record of interrogation of Kaneshiro Fukukan a Formosan. I tender this document for identification and marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5263 will receive exhibit No. 1878 for identification only and the marked excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1878-A.

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LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The deponent said that in December, 1942, or January, 1943, 600 white prisoners of war landed on Ballah Island. He was told that one was beheaded by a Japanese GZAKI on the night they landed. On night of 30 June, 1943, Ballah Island was shelled. The Japs were afraid of an allied landing and killed by bayonets or swords the surviving prisoners.

Prosecution document No. 5425 is an affidavit by Lt. Commander Osaka Toshiziko of 18th Naval Construction Battalion. I tender it in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5425 will receive exhibit No. 1879 for identification only and the excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit

No. 1879-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1879 for identification; the marked excerpts therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1879-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The deponent says that towards the end of 1942, 527 white POWs were

brought to Ballah Island. They were to be used as labour for the construction of an aerodrome. He says, "On watching the POWs as they were disembarking from the transport although there were some who were extremely 'peppy' the majority of them were so weak that they could not walk by themselves and were only barely able to do so with the help of their comrades." On the night the prisoners landed one was alleged to have attempted to escape. Upon recapture he was executed on instructions of deponent. Prisoners died rapidly owing to disease. At one stage three deaths were occurring daily. A large number of prisoners were killed by allied bombing.

A defense plan of the island was prepared.

Under this prisoners of war were to be killed if an allied landing was made on the island. In April, 1943, news was received of the approach of allied ships. The surviving prisoners, about 90, were then bayonetted to death by the Japanese in accordance with plan.

I refer the Tribunal to prosecution document No. 469-A which is in evidence as exhibit No. 1850-A.

I propose to read paragraph 8 of that document which was put in evidence today:

"a. While B-363 was at Khandok, he saw the

following committed on a healthy, unwounded African prisoner of war:

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"'The man was tied to a tree outside the Hikari Kikan Office. A Japanese doctor and four Japanese medical students stood around him. They first removed the finger nails, then cutting open his chest removed his heart, on which the doctor gave a practical demonstration.'

"(CaDIC Information Section Report No. 40, page 3).

"b. Extract from diary, apparently belonging to an officer, unit unknown. Vivisection took place in Kokumbona Area of Guadacanal.

"'24 September, 1942 - Because two prisoners escaped, each unit was notified and we searched until it finally became daylight.

17 "'26 September - Discovered and captured the
18 two prisoners who escaped last night in the jungle,
19 and let the Guard Company guard them. To prevent their
20 escaping a second time, pistols were fired at their
21 feet, but it was difficult to hit them. The two prisoners
22 were dissected while still alive by Medical Officer
23 YAMAJI and their livers were taken out, and for the
24 firt time I saw the internal organs of a human being.
25 It was very informative.

"(SCPAC Translation; Serial No. 01497, Item 614, pages 1-7.)"

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Prosecution document No. 5398, contains the proceedings of an inquest held at Tarawa in October, 1944. I tender the proceedings for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5398 will receive exhibit No. 1880 for identification only. The excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit

No. 1880-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1880 for identification; the marked excerpts therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1880-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The coroner found that twenty-two prisoners were killed by the Japanese at Belio, Tarawa on or about 15th October, 1942. At about that time American planes had bombed Japanese shipping at the island. After this had happened the Japanese beheaded the prisoners eighteen of whom were coast watchers in the service of the New Zealand Government.

I propose to read the evidence from Frank Highland and F. Mikaere on pages six to nine of the Lnglish version:

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"Frank Highland, of Tarawa deposes on oath

"My wife and myself were on Betio for three days, a week or two weeks before Betio was shelled for the first time by a U.S. ship (or sub) on October 15, 1942. I saw Reverend badd, one trader, McArthur by name, two New Zealanders in uniform (shorts and drill jackets with buttons) two New Zealanders in civilian clothes. Each one had his hands tied behind his back by several feet of rope, the other end was attached to coconut trees. This was in Burns Philips area. The hands of one soldier were swollen. A Jap went to him and said, 'Do you want to be untied a little?' The New Zealander said ' No, you tied it tight, you can leave it on as it is. The same Jap went to McArthur and asked the same question. McArthur said, ' Yes, it is too tight. I and my wife saw then feed a tin of food and a handful of rice. Their hands were untied for this, a guard being with each man. My wife and I were about two fathoms away at the time. The same ovening it rained. The men slept on the grass under the trees.

"The third morning after that we saw them still tied up. My wife and I were not allowed to go near them. Midday that day we saw them locked up in the lunatic asylum. Their hands were not tied. We saw Mr. Cleary, Mr. Morgan and Capt. Handley with them. Mr. Cleary wrote me a letter, tied it to a stone and threw it outside the fence. The letter begged me to help them with sugar if I had any or if not, native molasses so after I read that letter the Jap saw me and rushed at me. He tried to hit me with a big stick. I just walked away. I put a match to the letter after that. The same afternoon, I left Betio and came over to Eita. I stayed here for a few days then my wife and I took back to them some sugar the Japs had given my boy and two bottles of molasses. I threw the sugar over the fence. Mr. Morgan made signs to me to send a girl we had with us to go and talk to the guard at the gate of the enclosure. When the guard was busy with the girl I climbed up the fence. Mr. Cleary climbed up inside and I gave him the two bottles of molasses. Reverend hadd saw this and got a tin of biscuits and threw it over the fence to some young boys with me and told them to keep it. The guard saw this and chased us away. We left Betio then. "Three days after the ship shelled Betio,

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"Q When you saw the bodies, did you attempt to count them?

"A No. They were covered with corrugated iron and coconut leaves on top of it."

"Mikaere of Tarawa, Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, deposes on oath as follows:-

"When the first United states aeroplanes came to Betio, it was at about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Two United States aeroplanes bombed Japanese

ships in the port. All the native labourers ran on to the reef. When the two aeroplanes went away, the natives returned to the place where the British Government station used to be. I was with the Bishop in his house. One of the Japanese went to the natives and told them that one of the Europeans had escaped from the Lunatic Asylum enclosure. All the natives were sent to the building which was the office of the District Officer. After that they were sent back to their camp. because the Japanese said that the European had been caught.

you go to the office of the District Officer?

"A I went with the other natives to the office of the District Officer.

"Q Did the Japanese say who the European was who had escaped?

"A No. The natives all went to their camp and I went to the Bishop's house. Then one Japanese came to us and showed his sword to us. That sword was covered with blood. He said that he had killed the Europeans with his sword.

"Q Did you know who that Japanese was?

"A I do not know, but perhaps some of the natives might know. He was not a soldier, he used to

sit all the time in the office.

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"Q When he came to the Bishop's house to show his sword, from what direction did he come? He came from the direction of the old native village. He left us and went to the former British Government Station. Shortly after 5 p.m. I went to cut toddy beside the Lunatic Asylum. I heard a lot of noise and saw a lot of Japanese inside the Lunatic Asylum enclosure. I wanted to see what was happening so I went to the house which was formerly used by the natives looking after the lunatics. When I reached the house I saw the Europeans sitting in a line inside the enclosures. While I lay in that house, the Europeans being already lined up, I saw one of the Europeans, it might have been Captain Handley, pulled out from the house by the Japanese and placed in front of the Europeans.

"Q Was he alive?

front of the Europeans, he was lying down, covered with blood. Then one Japanese started to kill the Europeans. He cut off the head of the first European, then the second, then the third, then I did not see any more because I fainted. When I came to, I saw the Japanese carrying the dead bodies to two pits on the West side of the Lunatic enclosure. I could not

see how many bodies there were. When I was lying in the house, a Japanese coolie ran past and fell down close beside, with a tin full of European clothes. He put the tin down in the house, and went back to help to carry the corpses. I took the tin of clothes and went back to the Bishop's house. I informed the Bishop about the death of the Europeans. The clothes were taken from me by other natives, except for one pair of shorts and one shirt.

"Q Can you tell the date on which that happened?

"A I do not remember."

I don't propose to read any further than that, your Honor. That covers the incident.

Prosecution document No. 5248 is affidavit of Mr. Taua, a civilian. I tender it for identification and marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5248 will receive exhibit No. 1881 for identification only. The marked excerpt therefrom will receive exhibit No. 1881-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1881 for identification; the

marked excerpts therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit 1881-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The deponent says that on the night of the first Allied bombing of Nauru five white prisoners, including Colonel Chalmers were beheaded by the Japanese.

Prosecution document No. 5252 is a statement by Lee Chong Wong, a Chinese. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

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LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: The deponent was house boy to Colonel Chalmers. An American bombing raid took place on 25th March, 1943. Deponent never saw Colonel Chalmers or other European prisoners efter this. He noticed that there was blood on the floor of the house where the Europeans had lived.

Prosecution document No. 5246 is a record of interrogation of David Murdock, a Gilbertese. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

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Island up to July 1943. There were six Europeans on the island. They were beaten and starved by the Japanese. Two of the Europeans had died by July 1943. The Japanese beheaded three natives for stealing early in 1943. Later the same year the Japanese erected an electric wire around Coma Point. Three natives were told to race to the wire. As the natives touched the wire they were killed by electrocution.

Prosecution document No. 5245 is a record of the interrogation of KABUNARE, a native of Nikunau Island. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5245 will receive exhibit No. 1884 for identification only, and the excerpts therefore exhibit

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No. 1884-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1884 for identification, the excerpts therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit No. 1884-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: KABUNARE states that all Europeans on Ocean Island died or were killed. There were about 100 nativeson the island when the war ended. The Japanese formed them into sections and marched them away. The hands of the natives of KABUNARE's section were tied. They were lined up on the edge of a cliff and the Japs opened fire. KABUNARE recovered consciousness in the sea. There were a lot of dead bodies around him. He hid in a cave. Later the Japanese towed the dead bodies out to sea. KABANURE remained hidden until 2nd. December 1945, when he first learnt that the Allies were in occupation of the island.

Prosecution document No. 5247 is a record of interrogation of Lieutenant SAKATA, Jiro, of 67 Garrison Regiment. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5247 will receive exhibit No. 1885 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom exhibit No. 1885-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1885 for identification, the excerpts
therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1885-A and received in evidence.)

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNAME: SAKATA says that in October 1944 the natives on the island, about 100, were rounded up and killed ?7 the Japanese.

Prosecution document No. 5427 is a statement .

by Chief Petty Officer ARAI, Kakuzo. I tender it for identification and the marked excerpts in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 5427 will receive exhibit No. 1886 for identification only, and the excerpts therefrom exhibit

No. 1886-A.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1886 for identification, and the excerpts
therefrom were marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 1886-A and received in evidence.

LIEUT. COLONEL MORNANE: ARAI gives an account

of the killing of eight natives on Ocean Island on 20th August.

That completes the evidence relating to this section of the phase.

Commander C. T. Cole of the United States
Navy will continue with the presentation of the case
for the prosecution.

THE PRESIDENT: It is hardly worth while opening up a new phase this afternoon. We will adjourn until half past nine to-morrow morning.

(Whereupon, at 1555, an adjournment was taken until Friday, 3 January 1947, at 0930.)